Redlinc buses is maintained by them.

(b) DTC has about 25.08% overaged buses and due to paucity of funds, DTC has not been able to purchase adequate number of new buses on replacement account.

(c) As on 30.4.94 the fleet strength of DTC is 3505 which is larger than that of Red line. The Government have made a provision of Rs. 10 crs. for purchase of about 130 new buses on replacement account during the year 1994-95. There is no proposal to increase DTC fleet beyond its existing fleet.

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Maintenance of National Highways

6846. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: SHRI J.S. RAJU: SHRI MISA R. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of National Highways in all the States in India and what is their total length in Milcs/Kilomctrcs;

(b) what is State-wise details of allocation of funds per year for the maintenance of these National Highways during the last three years;

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that National Highways in States arc not maintained up to the standards expected; and

(d) if so, what action is proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The total number of National Highways in the country is 77 and other total length is 34,058 Km.

(b) A statement showing the State-wise allocation is attached *(See* below)

(c) and (d) Maintenance of national Highways is a continuing activity. The funds made available for maintenance arc inadequate in relation to the requirement as per the norms. However, the National Hihgways are kept in traffic worthy condition within the available funds.

Statement

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of State	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1279.42	1249.44	1716.42
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	84.36	35.41	33.51
3.	Assam	1018.09	1039.625	1355.22
4.	Bihar	1012.30	1072.66	1276.45
5.	Chandigarh	16.00	15.48	14.00
6.	Delhi	163.00	171.80	208.21
7.	Goa	191.97	208.308	245.05
8.	Gujarat	918.89	881.37	1033.95
9.	Haryana	362.29	380.83	513.86
10.	Himachal Pradesh	518.77	529.55	881.70
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	45.00	143.39	94.54
12.	Karnataka	990.02	1105.85	1234.19
13.	Kerala	586.54	587.82	726.15
14.	Madhya Pradesh	1195.69	1213.25	1316.28
15.	Maharashtra	1620.00	1506.677	1815.54
16.	Manipur	51.67	73.32	130.47
17.	Meghalaya	206.19	170.27	231.13

S. No.	Name of State	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
18.	Nagaland	3.50	3.50	7.29
19.	Orissa	859.98	738.52	1016.11
20.	Pondicherry	6.83	5.78	16.02
21.	Punjab	579.98	638.97	661.30
22.	Rajasthan	1054.61	1141.02	1339.97
23.	Tamil Nadu	979.91	1134.69	1643.67
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1312.05	1394.96	1710.52
25.	West Bengal	1284.35	1071.51	1760.45

Diesel Supply to Delhi Transport Corporation

6847. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Chairman-cum-Mananging Director of Delhi Transport Corporation is finding it difficult to function under the circumstances given by Government;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that diesel supply to DTC has been cut off;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is its impact on the smooth running of DTC buses and other vehicles stating the quantity of diesel supplied to DTC every month; and

(e) what steps have been taken by Government for resuming supply of diesel to DTC for its smooth running?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Diesel supply to DTC was cut for a few days on two occasions in the recent past by the Oil Companies on account of non-payment of outstanding arrears payable by DTC to Oil Companies. However, there was no major impact on smooth running of buses on this score. The Oil Companies supply approximately 6000 KL HSD per month to DTC.

(e) Government have approved payment of additional funds to DTC to liquidate its outstanding liabilities including payment of arears to Oil Companies. Government had also requested the Oil Companies, not to stop the supplies of diesel and petrol etc. to DTC.

Recommendations made by Committee on Chief Ministers for withdrawal of Octroi

6848. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: SHRI RAGHAVJI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all over the country the truck and lorry transport operators had struck operation demanding inter alia withdrawal of collection of Octroi at the States border check posts;

(b) whether it is a fact that complaints have consistently been received about corruption, besides harassment and avoidable hold-ups of the goods transport vehicles at the Octroi posts;

(c) if so, steps taken by Government to eliminate the root causes of such complaints as well as the possibility of hindrances to smooth flow of goods transports by road;

(d) the details of the principal points of recommendations made by the Committee of Chief Ministers (known as SP Bagla Committee); and

(e) reaction of Government to the recommendations?